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David Butler, Hearing Officer  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, SC 29210

**Re: Response to Proposed Procedural Schedule  
Consolidated Docket Nos.: 2017-207-E, 2017-305-E, 2017-370-E**

Dear Mr. Butler:

Intervenors South Carolina Coastal Conservation League ("CCL") and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy ("SACE") support the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff's ("ORS") proposed procedural schedule.

This consolidated docket presents issues of great importance to South Carolina Electric and Gas Company ratepayers and will have major implications for South Carolina's energy future. Billions of dollars are at stake as is the future service provider for the majority of South Carolinians.

The schedule proposed by Hearing Officer Butler would not allow adequate time for discovery and preparation of testimony by intervenors. The motions to compel filed by ORS and the Sierra Club and Friends of the Earth indicate that the Companies will not fully respond to requests for information relevant to the issues in this docket unless and until parties go through the lengthy process of asking the Commission to referee disputes. The procedural schedule must allow more time for intervenors to prefile testimony so that discovery disputes can be resolved and the Commission can be presented with all of the information necessary to make an informed decision.

For these reasons, CCL and SACE support the schedule proposed by ORS.

Sincerely,



William Cleveland  
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Elizabeth Jones

cc: Parties of record in 2017-207-E, 2017-305-E, and 2017-370-E (via email)